

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to you today regarding Docket No. 02-277, The Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules.

Allowing major media companies to merge print and broadcast outlets would result in yet greater restriction on the independence and variety of information available. This would be detrimental to a healthy and vital democracy that serves the many rather than the few.

The public interest will best be served by promoting competition, diversity and local content through preserving media ownership rules in question in this proceeding and by imposing stricter public interest requirements.

In addition, I urge the Commission to hold hearings in all parts of the country and solicit the widest possible participation from the public which will be the most directly affected by the outcomes of these decisions.

Thank you,
Therese Lung